

Sport News

Grover Alexander Greatest Factor In Fight of Phillies

By Frank G. Menka.

New York, Oct. 4.—Grover Alexander was the mightiest defensive factor in the great pennant fight of the Phillies—but one mustn't overlook the fact that there are several other Phillies pitchers who aided in the uplift movement.

Denaree has won 13 of those Phillies combats; Meyer has won 19; McQuillen the castoff, has won 12; Rixey has added 11 more and Chalmers has won six.

Alex May Lead Pitchers.

As the pitchers in the National league go into the stretch, it begins to look as if Alexander will finish the season where he ought to finish—at the top.

The wonderful moundman has won something like 31 games against 10 defeats. That places him above Munnix, the Pirate phenom.

"Smookey Joe" Wood, having come back into his own, is leading the American league hurlers by a rather healthy margin and ought to finish ahead of the field, although his teammates, Ruth

and Foster, are giving him a close fight. Wood is about 40 points ahead of Ruth and about 50 ahead of Foster.

Great Fight in Federal.

McConnell, of the Chicago Whales, Allen of the Pittsburg Rebels, and Plank of the St. Louis outfit, are waging a pretty three cornered battle for the pitching honors in the Gilmore circuit. McConnell has the edge just now, having won 24 out of 27 games for a pitching average of .737. Allen is second with 23 victories in 34 games, an average of .676. Cullop, the left hander, with the Kansas City club, also can be considered in the fight, as he is only a few points in the rear, having won 19 out of 30 games for an average of .633.

Hinchman Leads Pirates.

Who will manage the Pirates next year?

Some there are who think that House Wagner will grab the job left vacant by the retirement of Fred Clarke, but from the "inside" comes the tip that Bill Hinchman, the big outfielder, may land the job.

Wagner, in the opinion of many, would be too easy with the men. Hinchman, on the other hand, showed well in executive ability while with the

FEDERAL LEAGUE WANTS IN

Chicago, Oct. 4.—Issuing a challenge for his team to play the winner of the world's series Owner Weirhaman of the Chicago capgo Federal league club, today announced if the big leaguers didn't accept his deft, he would proclaim the Whales the world's champions.

Cleveland club a number of years ago, when he handled the club in the absence of the regular leader.

Marquard Seems to Be Through.

"Rube" Marquard seems to have outlived his major league usefulness. It was figured when he was let out by the Giants and again was taken under the wing of Wilbert Robinson that he might do a "come back," but the eccentric southpaw, in his last few starts, has shown nothing that would merit keeping him on the payroll. He has been battered from the box with frequency.

However, Marquard's contract, one of those supposedly iron-clad affairs, holds good until the end of the 1916 season, so that even if he is chased off into the bushes he will draw big league pay until October of next year.

STANDINGS OF THE TEAMS

National League.			
W.	L.	Pct.	
Philadelphia	85	62	.587
Boston	79	68	.538
Brooklyn	79	70	.530
Chicago	73	80	.477
Pittsburg	73	80	.477
St. Louis	72	81	.471
Cincinnati	71	83	.461
New York	68	79	.462

American League.			
W.	L.	Pct.	
Boston	59	47	.690
Detroit	100	54	.649
Chicago	93	60	.608
Washington	83	66	.557
New York	81	49	.622
St. Louis	63	91	.407
Cleveland	57	95	.375
Philadelphia	41	108	.273

Federal League.			
W.	L.	Pct.	
Chicago	86	66	.566
St. Louis	87	67	.565
Pittsburg	86	67	.562
Kansas City	81	72	.530
Newark	80	72	.527
Buffalo	74	78	.487
Brooklyn	70	82	.461
Baltimore	47	107	.303

Pacific Coast League.			
W.	L.	Pct.	
San Francisco	107	80	.572
Los Angeles	101	88	.533
Salt Lake	93	86	.519
Vernon	90	95	.483
Oakland	84	102	.451
Portland	75	99	.431

Yesterday's Results.

At Portland—Oakland 3-0.
Portland 1-0. (Second game 10 innings.)

At San Francisco—Salt Lake 11-4, San Francisco 1-1.
At Los Angeles—Vernon 4-1, Los Angeles 7-0.

1915 Pennant Dope.

San Francisco's lead was reduced to seven games. Salt Lake is but three behind Los Angeles. Portland left last night just 25 1/2 games behind the leader. The Beavers have 20 games on the schedule yet to play.

TRIBUTE TO FRED CLARKE

By Rodney J. Park.
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

Pittsburg, Oct. 4.—Fred Clarke for sixteen years the pilot of the Pittsburg Pirates, will be tendered tonight one of the finest tributes that has ever been given to any ballplayer. The Stove League has arranged a farewell banquet in his honor which will be the largest ever held in the Smokey City. It will be Pittsburg's tribute to the retiring manager. Some of the biggest men in the baseball world have promised to be on hand and the application for places poured in so fast that two committees was compelled to limit the covers to five hundred. The committee has kept its plans as to the gift that is to be presented to Clarke a profound secret.

Clark came to Pittsburg in 1900 and had directed the Pirates since that time. He has one of the finest records in baseball, having won four pennants and one world's championship. As a player Clarke ranked with the best. In twenty-two years in the big league he has a batting average of .325. Clarke was essentially a player-manager and since he stopped playing himself in 1911 it has been a rather hard struggle for him. It has always been hard for him to sit on the bench. The only member of the team that he brought to Pittsburg will be left in Hans Wagner. The ex-manager will retire to his home in Kansas where he has a large wheat ranch.

KOHLER FOUND GUILTY.

Salinas, Cal., Oct. 4.—After six hours' deliberation the jury in the trial of Charles Kohler today found him guilty of murder in the first degree, and recommended the death penalty.

Kohler beat J. H. Kaiser, a cigar maker, to death with an iron bar and then robbed his body.

Mrs. S. T. Warner and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Patterson, of Woodburn, were visitors in the city yesterday.

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AGGIE FIRE CRUSHES WILLAMETTE 69-0

Methodists Threaten to Score Only Once by Attempted Place Kick

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Ore., Oct. 3.—The light team from Willamette university was no match for the slashing attack of the heavy Aggie machine yesterday afternoon and was overwhelmed by a score of 69 to 0.

The defeat was the most crushing handed out by the Corvallis field in several years and exceeded the score run up in the game last year between the two teams by five points. The Methodists fought gamely but they were outweighed and outclassed.

Within four minutes the orange and black had rushed the ball down the field by a series of long gains for the first touchdowns, with Abraham carrying the ball over the line.

Victory Assured Early in Play.

From that time on there were no doubts as to the better team and speculation was confined to the size of the final score. Two touchdowns and two goals from touchdowns were made in each of the first two quarters, bringing the total to 28 to 0 in the first half.

Many changes were made in the Aggie battle front for the second half, including three new men in the backfield. The strength of the machine was increased and six touchdowns and five goals completed the rout.

Gains of 10 to 35 yards were so frequent that they failed to cause a flutter of enthusiasm among the rooters. Dutton, who played halfback in the second half, made the two longest runs of the game with 35 and 25 yard gains around the ends.

Willamette Threatens Only Once.

Little open play was resorted to by either team, aside from one forward pass. Newman to Schuster which brought a touchdown from the 25 yard line, and a few unsuccessful attempts. The gains were made through the line and around the ends.

Willamette could not gain appreciable yardage and threatened to score only once, when Flegel tried a place kick from the 25 yard line. Cole kicked goals consistently, following nine of the 10 touchdowns by perfect kicks, missing the other by a narrow margin.

Abraham had no difficulty in gaining ground on nearly every attempt, and Billie, Dutton, Newman and Alworth were consistent producers of long runs. In spite of the large score, the Aggie attack was ragged and fumbles and penalties for offside play were frequent. Preponderance of weight rather than finished football brought victory.

Teal, the visitors' left half, played a fast game, but his light interference gave him little opportunity to try his speed against the field. In the first quarter, Laythe kicked off to Willamette on the 20 yard line. They could not gain and kicked to midfield.

Making long rushes, Abraham scored the first touchdown in the middle of the period, Hoerline smashed through the line for the second touchdown.

The rest of the play was in Willamette's territory, but fumbles and penalties prevented further scoring.—The second quarter was similar to the first. Laythe was forced to punt once and got off a 45 yard spiral. Three forward passes in succession attempted by the Aggies were incomplete.

Lacey made two touchdowns. Billie was moved to fullback, and Newman, Dutton and Alworth completed the backfield and the second half. They showed more speed than had Hoerline, Lacey and Abraham and piled up a total of 47 points, gaining ground by long runs and being penalized less frequently.

GOLF CLUBS WIN

Portland, Ore., Oct. 4.—The question of whether a golf ball can be driven as far with a baseball bat as with the regulation club, is settled today, and the horseholders' lose with an average of 75 yards.

The novel contest was staged on the Coast league grounds Sunday.

After a number of fiasco hitters on the Portland team had a try, Pitcher Rube Evans hoisted the golf ball 75 yards over the left field fence.

Rudolph Wilhelm, state golf champion, brassie in hand, then drove the ball 75 yards further for an estimated total distance of 235 yards.

San Francisco, Oct. 4.—The Boston Red Sox will play a series in San Francisco if they defeat the Phillies for the world's championship, according to reliable information received here today. President J. J. Lannin is said to have given his consent to the games, which would be preceded by exhibition games en route to the Pacific coast.

Champion Decried.

San Francisco, Oct. 4.—The Irish handball champion, Gus Cole, was defeated in the opening round of the exposition handball tournament by Joe Collins, ex-Pacific coast champion.

Wilson At the Game.

Washington, Oct. 4.—President Wilson may join the mighty throng of fans at the second game of the world's series in Philadelphia Saturday. He wired today for tickets.

Blackwell Winner.

San Francisco, Oct. 4.—The annual six and a half mile dipsas marathon from Mill Valley to Willes camp was won by Lee Blackwell. Blackwell covered the course in fifty-six minutes, with a handicap of seven and a half minutes.

Tennis Players Return.

San Francisco, Oct. 4.—The national singles tennis champion, and Clarence Griffin and Ella Fottrell, Pacific coast tennis players, who won distinction in eastern tournaments this year, arrived home today. They were preceded yesterday by Maurice E. McLoughlin, who lost to Johnston in the

finals for the national title. McLoughlin said he had nothing but praise for Johnston, but added that he did not reach his form of previous years in the national championships.

Amateur Championship.

Sacramento, Oct. 4.—The Pacific Electric baseball team of Los Angeles is en route to the south today after capturing a series from the Sacramento Jovians for the amateur championship of California.

Harry Stewart, former Coast League pitcher, won for the Electrics by holding the Jovians to only one run in a double header Sunday, the run being due to an error. He won the first game four to nothing and the second ten to one.

Works On New Wireless System of Telephony

San Francisco, Oct. 4.—J. J. Carly, American Telephone and Telegraph company chief engineer, dreamer of dreams that come true, will leave here today or Monday for New York, where he will work on improvements of the new wireless telephony system. He declared today his chief tasks are to overcome a roaring in the instruments, and to perfect a means whereby the messages may be answered. Thus far his system has merely transmitted in one direction only.

New York dispatches told today of an invention by Professor Michael Pupin of Columbia University of a system whereby the roar due to atmospheric conditions can be overcome. This is precisely what Carly desires in his system. He said today he expects these difficulties can be minimized, so that aerial conversation will be practicable for miles. His idea for the new system is that it shall be used largely in naval work, and shall be placed within the disposal of smaller vessels. He believes, however, that one may talk by wire to San Francisco, connect with wireless and then chat with Tokio. The wireless phone, however, he does not regard as practicable for city use, because it is not secret and will not accommodate a sufficient number of calls at once.

O. A. C. Enthusiasts Met At State Fair

Two hundred and forty O. A. C. enthusiasts met at the state fair on Wednesday in response to an invitation of the Salem Oregon club. An informal luncheon was spread in Machinery Hall, with President Kerr and Governor Withycombe occupying seats of honor and a jolly informal hour was spent.

E. B. Benty, one of the directors of the Alumni association, and E. B. Lemmon, secretary, with several other alumni and faculty men of the college were present.

Percy Copper, of two state engineer's office, and president of the Oregon Agricultural College Alumni association, had charge of the get-together party.

Seattle Post Intelligence:—Mr. Buschneider was severely rebuked by a footpad because his pockets yielded only \$1.60. The footpads should get together and fix a minimum scale so that the public may go prepared to escape unkind words.

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